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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed April 20, 2005, please amend the application as follows and consider the remarks set forth below.

Applicant hereby requests a two-month extension of time in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action, extending the period of response through and including September 20, 2005, and includes a fee as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a) with this response for such extension of time. Therefore, this Amendment is timely filed under the Certificate of Mailing provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.8.

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